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In Re	Application of:								
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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR LOCKING AND ISOLATION IN A STORAGE									
PLAT	ГFORM								
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Sir:									
	PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER								
Trans	smitted herewith for filing, please find:								
$\boxtimes$	A Utility Application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b).								
The a	bove-identified application includes the following:								
	A Request for Nonpublication								
$\boxtimes$	A Specification including claims and abstract on pages 1 to 30.								
	A copy of the specification including claims and abstract (pages - ) and drawings and appendixes (if any) of earlier Application No. filed , to which no new matter has been added. Such earlier application is hereby incorporated into the present application by reference.								
$\boxtimes$	A New Unexecuted Declaration or Oath and Power of Attorney.								
	A New Executed Declaration or Oath and Power of Attorney.								
	A copy of the executed oath or declaration filed in the earlier application								

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	An Associate Power of Attorney executed by who is listed in the of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney filed herewith.									
		A Copy of the Power of Attorney with Revocation filed in prior Application No.								
		Signed Statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application.								
	This a	application claims foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of Application 1 filed in (Country).								
		A Certified Copy of each of the above applications for which priority is claimed:								
		is enclosed.								
		has been filed in prior Application No. filed .								
$\boxtimes$	<u>7</u> S	Sheets of Formal Drawings and/or Photographs.								
	$\boxtimes$	Figure 3 should be published.								
		Petition to Accept Color Photographs is enclosed.								
		continuation/divisional application is assigned of record to as evidenced assignment recorded on at Reel No. and Frame No.								
	A new	ly Executed Assignment transferring rights to Microsoft Corporation.								
		A Recordation Form Cover Sheet.								
		Recordation Fee - \$40.00.								
	A Prel	iminary Amendment is enclosed.								
	A Seq	A Sequence Listing consisting of pages 1-								
	Diskette containing Sequence Listing is enclosed.									
	The computer readable form in the above-identified application is identical with that filed in Application Number, filed. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.821(e), please use the sequence listing filed on an arreceived by the PTO on as the computer readable form filed in the application as the computer readable form for the instant application. It understood that the Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessar change in application number and filing date for the computer readable for that will be used for the instant application.									
		A paper copy of the Sequence Listing:								

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		plication on	and								
					with in a separately filed preliminary amendment for to the specification.						
	A Statement to Support Submission of Sequence Information is enclosed.										
	Information Disclosure Statement including:										
	Form 1449.										
	Copies of References - listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.										
	A copy of Petition for Extension of Time as filed in the prior case for copendency.										
	Appended Material as follows:										
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	Applicant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37 CFR § 1.27 as (CHOOSE ONE: an Independent Inventor, a Small Business Concern, or a Nonprofit Organization).										
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DESIG	N APPLICA	TION BA	ASE FEE	,	\$170.00		\$340.00	\$-0-			
UTILITY APPLICATION BASE FEE					\$385.00		\$770.00	\$770.00			
UTILITY APPLICATION; ALL CLAIMS CALCULATED AFTER ENTRY OF ALL AMENDMENTS											
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TOTAL FILING FEE DUE								\$1,126.00			
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- The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.
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SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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